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### Recovering Taxes Illegally Abated.

County Attorney Fleming has served notice on County Treasurer John Frater, that suit will be brought against him to recover the amount of interest and penalty abated on taxes of L. J. Cale by the board of county commissioners recently, amounting to \$1,100. Mr. Fleming says that, as far as he can ascertain, and he also has the opinion of the attorney general, the law fixes the responsibility on the county treasurer, as it says any treasurer who does not collect interest and penalty shall be liable for the amount not collected. Mr. Frater is quite indignant that he is made a party to the suit, as he says he accepted the money for the taxes on a statement from the county auditor, and he had no means of knowing but what it included the interest and penalty. That he has the statement of the auditor showing the taxes to be the amount he accepted, which ought to exonerate him from not making a greater charge. Mr. Fleming says himself that it is not just that Mr. Frater should stand the loss, but as far as he can see at present the law holds him responsible. He says, however, he intends to examine the matter more closely, and if he can see his way clear to do so, suit will be brought making the county treasurer, auditor, clerk, and Mr. Cale parties to the suit, and the court can determine where the responsibility lies. The suit is the result of the recommendations of the recent grand jury.

### Street Car Fare Free.

Every purchaser of 50 cents worth of goods for cash at my store will be given a ticket good for one fare on the street railway. Residents of East Brainerd cannot afford to miss this opportunity to get a free ride if in need of anything in my line.

ATWOOD, The Druggist.

### A Fine Dancing Party.

The Chequamegon Club is perfecting arrangements to give one of their delightful dancing parties at Gardner Hall, on Friday evening April 23rd. The parties given by the Chequamegon are at all times very enjoyable, and invitations are eagerly sought for, but it is the purpose of the club to make the coming event the great social event of the season. It will probably be the first swell society event after the Lenten season, hence a large and select attendance is expected. The affair will be noticed more in detail in later issues.

### Municipal Court Notes.

Cora Carey was arraigned in the municipal court on Monday under the state law charged with keeping a house of ill-fame. She waived examination and was held to await the action of the grand jury in the sum of \$250.

Jas. Spencer was before his honor on Tuesday on complaint of Chas. Cross, charged with assault. He pleaded not guilty, and was discharged after trial.

### Putting in Filtering Plant.

A fine filtering plant for the Minnesota Water Co. arrived in the city yesterday, and will be put in at once. Mr. W. M. Cameron, of New York, arrived here on Wednesday to superintend the work of putting in the plant, which he hopes to have completed by April 20th. The people of this city ought not to be troubled with impure water after that.

### DIED.

Andrew Hall, aged 35 years, who lived near the mill, died on Tuesday March 30th, of pneumonia, and his remains were buried yesterday. He leaves a wife and four children in destitute circumstances.

The mother of Dr. Reimstad, of this city, died at her home in Minneapolis last Tuesday, aged 68 years. She leaves four children to mourn her loss.

Miss Carrie Morrison returned today from a two week's business trip to Minneapolis.

W. S. Maguire tendered his resignation as marshal to the old council Tuesday afternoon, and made his departure to his old home in Brainerd, where he has a position at the N. P. shop. The new council would have continued him on the force with a good grace, but he saw a better thing ahead at Brainerd and took it—Cass County Pioneer.

Sheriff Erickson went to Sank Rapids and St. Cloud on Monday noon on business. At Sank Rapids the sheriff will look up the matter of the conviction of the horse thief arrested by him some weeks ago and delivered to the Benton county authorities. By the terms of a state law anyone apprehending a horse thief, shall, on his conviction, be paid a reward of \$200, and Mr. Erickson wouldn't mind getting the \$200.

Mrs. R. P. Paine has sold her plumbing shop to F. H. Gruenhagen and W. H. Thompson, of this city. Mr. Gruenhagen has been employed by Slipp Bros. of this city as tinner for several years and Mr. Thompson has held a position in the N. P. tin shop for more than ten years past. They will run a tin shop in connection with the plumbing business. Both men are experienced mechanics, and have a thorough acquaintance in the city, hence they will undoubtedly do a most successful business from the start.

### HANGED HIMSELF.

Chas. L. Bjorkgren, the Popular Night Clerk at the Arlington Hotel, Destroys His Own Life.

POOR HEALTH THE CAUSE.

Funeral Services Sunday Afternoon Under the Auspices of White Cross Lodge No. 30, Knights of Pythias, at the Episcopal Church.

Chas. L. Bjorkgren, the popular night clerk at the Arlington Hotel, committed suicide on Tuesday, by hanging himself in his room at the hotel. At what hour of the day he committed the rash deed is only a matter of conjecture, but it was not discovered until 6:15 in the evening. He retired to his room at about nine in the morning, his usual time, and no sound was heard from there to indicate that anything unusual was transpiring. He usually arose about 5 p. m., going on duty at 6 o'clock. As he did not put in an appearance at that time, Manager Thos. Rutherford sent up the call boy to awaken him. The boy returned and reported that he could not arouse him, and the door and transom were locked so that he could not get in. Mr. Rutherford then, in company with Chas. Eckman, another hotel employee, went to Bjorkgren's room, and affected an entrance by working the key inside out of the lock and using a pass key. On entering they were horrified to find Bjorkgren cold in death, with a rope around his neck hanging to a bed post. From the position of the body and the articles about the room, it was evident beyond a doubt that the unfortunate young man had destroyed his own life. He had deliberately cut the rope from the laundry bag and making a noose of one end, had placed it around his neck, tying the other end to a loop made of cloth torn from the bag, which was placed over the corner post of the head of the bed. He must have laid down on the bed, after placing the rope around his neck, and rolled off, the force of the fall drawing him to death. He had entirely disrobed except his undershirt, and had not put on his night shirt, which was lying on the bed. He was lying on his right side when found, only his head and shoulders being raised from the floor.

Manager Rutherford immediately sent for Coroner Dean, who arrived in a few moments and cut down the body and had it removed to the undertaking rooms of Losky & Dean. He decided no inquest was necessary, as it was beyond question a case of suicide.

The rash act of Bjorkgren was a great shock to the people of the hotel and his many friends about town, and no possible reason can be assigned for the deed except poor health. He was quite a bad sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism, at times being unable to move about without suffering great pain. But he was always in good spirits, and seemed especially so lately, as he has been gaining in weight and health. He had been at the Arlington about six months, gaining twenty pounds during that time. Before retiring to his room in the morning he laughed and joked and was in his usual good spirits, and there was not the slightest indication that he contemplated self-destruction.

On Wednesday morning Coroner Dean, Mr. Rutherford and Judge of Probate Milton McFadden examined all his personal effects, but nothing could be found that would throw any light on his reasons for suicide. There was nothing to indicate that he had any relatives or near friends to claim his remains. From conversations he has had in times past with acquaintances, it is known that he has a father in Sweden, but his address is not known. Also an uncle at Valley City, N. D., but he has not been heard from, although efforts were made to find him by wire.

Deceased was a Knight of Pythias in good standing, being a member of the Fargo lodge, and the local lodge will take charge of the funeral and bury him here, unless relatives claim him before. The funeral services will be held at the Episcopal church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. Canon Pentreath officiating.

Since the above was written a letter has been received from the deceased's uncle, who resides in Valley City, N. D., whose name is Otto Chibberg. He advises burying him here, and suggests that his personal effects be sent to him and he will forward them to his parents.

KNIGHTS, ATTENTION!  
All members of White Cross Lodge No. 30, K. of P., are requested to meet at the lodge room on Sunday afternoon, April 4th, at 1:30 o'clock sharp, to attend the funeral of Bro. Chas. L. Bjorkgren. Services from the Episcopal church.

Prescriptions Compounded—FREE.  
For the benefit of the poor of this city, I will, on Saturday, April 3rd, dispense all prescriptions written by resident physicians, FREE OF CHARGE.  
ATWOOD, The Druggist.

Decorating Day.  
At the meeting of Pap Thomas Post on Saturday evening last, committees for Memorial Day were appointed as follows:  
Arrangements—T. E. Smith, N. B. Chase, J. A. Wilson and A. Nolan.  
To solicit appropriation from the council—J. A. Wilson and A. E. Veon.

Eastern Star Entertainment.  
The ladies of the Eastern Star lodge will give a Hard Times entertainment at Masonic Hall on Monday evening, April 5th. They have made arrangements for the appearance on this occasion of the celebrated Pease Sisters, who will introduce their side-splitting specialties for the entertainment of those present. The admission fee will be 25 cents.

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For the "Fowler Bicycle," at CHAS. M. PATZ'S.

### SPECTACLES!

BERTIER PARABOLA THE BEST IN THE WORLD TRY THEM & SEE AGAIN AS IN YOUTH. SOLE AGENCY AT ATWOOD'S, The Druggist.

### The Prodigal Father.

The above entitled exceedingly funny and entertaining comedy will be produced at Sleeper opera house next Wednesday, April 7th, by one of the best companies that will visit Brainerd this year. This company has appeared in all the leading cities in the United States, and has everywhere achieved the greatest success. The press has uniformly mentioned this fine attraction in the most glowing terms. "The Prodigal Father" has an intensely interesting plot, and the story of an old scientist who has lived a pure and easy life.

He is about to make a trip to Africa for the purpose of exploring the wilds of that country in the interests of a geographical society of which he is a member.

Just as he is embarking in the steamer, he is entranced by a vision of loveliness in the shape of a gay sereno-comic actress.

He starts in pursuit of her, and follows her for two months, endeavoring to make an impression, but, finding that he has made no progress, he gives up the chase. In his pursuit of the fair charmer, he has taken no thought of the flight of time; hence the ship has sailed, and he is compelled to return home.

Upon arriving there, he uses his powers of imagination to describe his trip—or supposed trip—to Africa—and it is his Munchausen-like stories that produce much of the fun.

Besides the play itself there are numerous specialties of a most entertaining character, especially bright and taking. The manager of the house desires all to see this attraction, and has secured a reduction in prices to 50 and 75 cents for reserved seats, 35 cents for general admission, and 25 cents for gallery for the evening entertainment. Reserved seats sale now open at Atwood's drug store.

A matinee will be given in the afternoon, commencing at 2:30, when the complete play and all the specialties will be produced. The matinee prices will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children for first floor, and 25 cents for gallery.

FREE—Bicycle—FREE.  
E. F. Atwood, the popular Front street druggist, has on exhibition in his store a fine high grade lady's bicycle, which he will give away free on the evening of July 3rd. Every cash purchaser of one dollar's worth of goods will get a ticket free. If you need anything in his line make your purchase at Atwood's, and get a chance on this fine wheel. A gentleman's wheel of equal grade given if desired. Remember it is a strictly high grade standard machine, Morgan & Wright tires, worth \$100. Here is the chance of your life.

Mother's Clubs Will Meet.  
The Lincoln Mother's Club will meet at the Lincoln school building on Monday afternoon, April 6th, at 3:30.

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The Washington School Mother's Club will meet at the Washington school building on Thursday afternoon, April 8th, at 3:30.

The Lowell School Mother's Club will meet at the Lowell school building on Friday afternoon, April 9th, at 3:30.

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Notice.  
It is requested that all claims against the late R. H. Paine be presented to Mrs. Paine on or before May 1st.

JOHN DOBNER.  
Camera Club.  
The Brainerd Y. M. C. A. Camera Club met Wednesday evening and completed its organization, adopting constitution and by-law. The following officers were elected:  
President—H. L. Casey.  
Vice-President—C. D. McKay.  
Secretary—Fred McKay.  
Treasurer—E. M. Westfall.

Eight signed the constitution and became members at that time. The constitution will be left at the office of the Y. M. C. A., and any young men interested may become members by complying with the constitution.

To Let on Shares.  
I desire to rent on shares my market garden farm on 7th street south. I will furnish team and all tools. Apply at farm (old fair ground). Will be home evenings. WM. GUTHRIE.

A "B" Social.  
It behooves us to speak of a "B" Social. Benign Bolles and Beaux, Brides and Bridegrooms, Bachelors and Benedicts, will be Benefited By Breaking their fast at the Brainerd Baptist Church Parlor on Tuesday evening, April 6th, 1897. Boiled Berry, Bonny Buns, and Baked Batter! 15 cents.

THE L. A. M. SOCIETY.  
No One Dies.  
No one dies of pulmonary disease the result of cold, who takes "77" in time—for sale by all druggists, 25c.

# OPERA HOUSE

MATINEE and NIGHT.

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Third Annual Review.  
All New Features.  
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PRICES  
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The wise man knows it is as much to his interest to keep his buggy painted and in prime condition as it is to feed his horse well. A few dollars invested now will preserve the beauty of your Carriage and extend its days and usefulness.

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The "Wide-Awake" Sunday school class of the 1st Congregational church will give a birthday party in the chapel at the church to-morrow afternoon, Saturday, April 3rd. About 100 invitations have been issued. Each person attending are required to bring as many pennies in a small silk bag, provided for the purpose, as they are years old. Refreshments will be served and games will be played.



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Recovering Taxes Illegally Abated.

County Attorney Fleming has served notice on County Treasurer John Frater, that suit will be brought against him to recover the amount of interest and penalty abated on taxes of L. J. Cale by the board of county commissioners recently, amounting to \$1,100.

Mr. Fleming says that, as far as he can ascertain, and he also has the opinion of the attorney general, the law fixes the responsibility on the county treasurer, as it says any treasurer who does not collect interest and penalty shall be liable for the amount not collected.

Mr. Frater is quite indignant that he is made a party to the suit, as he says he accepted the money for the taxes on a statement from the county auditor, and he had no means of knowing but what it included the interest and penalty.

He has the statement of the auditor showing the taxes to be the amount he accepted, which ought to exonerate him from making a greater charge.

Mr. Fleming says himself that it is not just that Mr. Frater should stand around the loss, but as far as he can see at present the law holds him responsible.

He says, however, he intends to examine the matter more closely, and if he can see his way clear to do so, a suit will be brought making the county treasurer, auditor, clerk, and Mr. Cale parties to the suit, and the court can determine where the responsibility lies.

The suit is the result of the recommendations of the recent grand jury.

Street Car Fare Free.

Every purchaser of 50 cents worth of goods for cash at my store will be given a ticket good for one fare on the street railway. Residents of East Brainerd cannot afford to miss this opportunity to get a free ride if in need of anything in my line.

ATWOOD, The Druggist.

A Fine Dancing Party.

The Chequamegon Club is perfecting arrangements to give one of their delightful dancing parties at Gardner Hall, on Friday evening, April 23rd.

The parties given by the Chequamegon are at all times very enjoyable, and invitations are eagerly sought for, but it is the purpose of the club to make the coming event the great social event of the season.

It will probably be the first well society event after the Lenten season, hence a large and select attendance is expected. The affair will be noticed more in detail in later issues.

Municipal Court Notes.

Corn Carey was arraigned in the municipal court on Monday under the state law charged with keeping a house of ill fame. She waived examination and was held to await the action of the grand jury in the sum of \$250.

Jas. Spencer was before his honor on Tuesday on complaint of Chas. Cross, charged with assault. He pleaded not guilty, and was discharged after trial.

Putting in Filtering Plant.

A fine filtering plant for the Minnesota Water Co. arrived in the city yesterday, and will be put in at once. Mr. W. M. Cameron, of New York, arrived here on Wednesday to superintend the work of putting in the plant, which he hopes to have completed by April 20th. The people of this city ought not to be troubled with impure water after that.

DIED.

Andrew Hall, aged 35 years, who lived near the mill, died on Tuesday March 30th, of pneumonia, and his remains were buried yesterday. He leaves a wife and four children in destitute circumstances.

The mother of Dr. Reimstad, of this city, died at her home in Minneapolis last Tuesday, aged 68 years. She leaves four children to mourn her loss.

Miss Carrie Morrison returned today from a two week's business trip to Minneapolis.

W. S. Meguire tendered his resignation as marshal to the old council Tuesday afternoon, and made his departure to his old home in Brainerd, where he has a position at the N. P. shop. The new council would have continued him on the force with a good grace, but he saw a better thing ahead at Brainerd and took it.—Cass County Pioneer.

Sheriff Erickson went to Sank Rapids and St. Cloud on Monday noon on business. At Sank Rapids the sheriff will look up the matter of the conviction of the horse thief arrested by him some weeks ago and delivered to the Benton county authorities. By the terms of a state law anyone apprehending a horse thief, shall, on his conviction, be paid a reward of \$200, and Mr. Erickson wouldn't mind getting the \$200.

Mrs. R. P. Paine has sold her plumbing shop to F. H. Greenhagen and W. H. Thompson, of this city. Mr. Greenhagen has been employed by Slipp Bros. of this city as tinner for several years and Mr. Thompson has held a position in the N. P. tin shop for more than ten years past. They will run a tin shop in connection with the plumbing business. Both men are experienced mechanics, and have a thorough acquaintance in the city, hence they will undoubtedly do a most successful business from the start.

## HANGED HIMSELF.

Chas. L. Bjorkgren, the Popular Night Clerk at the Arlington Hotel, Destroys His Own Life.

POOR HEALTH THE CAUSE.

Funeral Services Sunday Afternoon Under the Auspices of White Cross Lodge No. 30, Knights of Pythias, at the Episcopal Church.

Chas. L. Bjorkgren, the popular night clerk at the Arlington Hotel, committed suicide on Tuesday, by hanging himself in his room at the hotel. At what hour of the day he committed the rash deed is only a matter of conjecture, but it was not discovered until 6:15 in the evening.

He retired to his room at about 5 p. m., going on duty at 6 o'clock. As he did not put in an appearance at that time, Manager Thos. Rutherford sent up the call boy to awaken him. The boy returned and reported that he could not arouse him, and the door and transom were locked so that he could not get in.

Mr. Rutherford then, in company with Chas. Eckman, another hotel employe, went to Bjorkgren's room, and effected an entrance by working the key inside out of the lock and using a pass key.

On entering they were horrified to find Bjorkgren cold in death, with a rope around his neck hanging to a bed post. From the position of the body and the articles about the room, it was evident beyond a doubt that the unfortunate young man had deliberately cut the rope from the laundry bag and making a noose of one end, had placed it around his neck, tying the other end to a loop made of cloth torn from the bag, which was placed over the corner post of the head of the bed. He must have laid down on the bed, after placing the rope around his neck, and rolled off, the force of the fall drawing the noose tight enough to choke him to death.

He had entirely disrobed except his undershirt, and had not put on his night shirt, which was lying on the bed. He was lying on his right side when found, only his head and shoulders being raised from the floor.

Manager Rutherford immediately sent for Coroner Dean, who arrived in a few moments and cut down the body and had it removed to the undertaking rooms of Loscy & Dean. He decided no inquest was necessary, as it was beyond question a case of suicide.

The rash act of Bjorkgren was a great shock to the people of the hotel and his many friends about town, and no possible reason can be assigned for the deed except poor health. He was quite a bad sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism, at times being unable to move about without suffering great pain. But he was always in good spirits, and seemed especially so lately, as he has been gaining in weight and health. He had been at the Arlington about six months, gaining twenty pounds during that time. Before retiring to his room in the morning he laughed and joked and was in his usual good spirits, and there was not the slightest indication that he contemplated self-destruction.

On Wednesday morning Coroner Dean, Mr. Rutherford and Judge of Probate Milson examined all his personal effects, but nothing could be found that would throw any light on his reasons for suicide. There was nothing to indicate that he had any relatives or near friends to claim his remains. From conversations he has had in times past with acquaintances, it is known that he has a father in Sweden, but his address is not known. Also an uncle at Valley City, N. D., but he has not been heard from, although efforts were made to find him by wire.

Deceased was a Knight of Pythias in good standing, being a member of the Fargo lodge, and the local lodge will take charge of the funeral and bury him here, unless relatives claim him before. The funeral services will be held at the Episcopal church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. Canon Pentreath officiating.

Since the above was written a letter has been received from the deceased's uncle, who resides in Valley City, N. D., whose name is Otto Chibberg. He advises burying him here, and suggests that his personal effects be sent to him and he will forward them to his parents.

KNIGHTS, ATTENTION!

All members of White Cross Lodge No. 30, K. of P., are requested to meet at the lodge room on Sunday afternoon, April 4th, at 1:30 o'clock sharp, to attend the funeral of Chas. L. Bjorkgren. Services from the Episcopal church.

Prescriptions Compounded—FREE.

For the benefit of the poor of this city, I will, on Saturday, April 3rd, dispense all prescriptions written by resident physicians, FREE OF CHARGE.

ATWOOD, The Druggist.

Decoration Day.

At the meeting of Pap Thomas Post on Saturday evening last, committees for Memorial Day were appointed as follows:

Arrangements—T. E. Smith, N. B. Chase, J. A. Wilson and A. E. Veon. To solicit appropriation from the council—J. A. Wilson and A. E. Veon.

Eastern Star Entertainment.

The ladies of the Eastern Star lodge will give a Hard Times entertainment at Masonic Hall on Monday evening, April 5th. They have made arrangements for the appearance on this occasion of the celebrated Peaks Sisters, who will introduce their side-splitting specialties for the entertainment of those present. The admission fee will be 25 cents.

\$54.00

For the "Fowler Bicycle," at CHAS. M. PATER'S.

## SPECTACLES!

**BERTIER PARABOLA**  
THE BEST IN THE WORLD  
TRY THEM & SEE AGAIN AS IN YOUTH.  
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The Prodigal Father.

The above entitled exceedingly funny and entertaining comedy will be produced at Sleeper opera house next Wednesday, April 7th, by one of the best companies that will visit Brainerd this year. This company has appeared in all the leading cities in the United States, and has everywhere achieved the greatest success. The press has uniformly mentioned this fine attraction in the most glowing terms. "The Prodigal Father" has an intensely interesting plot, and the story of an old scientist who has lived a pure and easy life.

He is about to make a trip to Africa for the purpose of exploring the wilds of that country in the interests of a geographical society of which he is a member.

Just as he is embarking in the steamer, he is entranced by a vision of loveliness in the shape of a gay semi-comic actress.

He starts in pursuit of her, and follows her for two months, endeavoring to make an impression, but finding that he has made no progress, he gives up the chase. In his pursuit of the fair charmer, he has taken no thought of the flight of time; hence the ship has sailed, and he is compelled to return home.

Upon arriving there, he uses his powers of imagination to describe his trip—or supposed trip—to Africa—and it is his Minnehaha-like stories that produce much of the fun.

Besides the play itself there are numerous specialties of a most entertaining character, especially bright and taking. The manager of the house desires all to see this attraction, and has secured a reduction in prices to 50 and 75 cents for reserved seats, 35 cents for general admission, and 25 cents for gallery for the evening entertainment. Reserved seat sale now open at Atwood's drug store.

A matinee will be given in the afternoon, commencing at 2:30, when the complete play and all the specialties will be produced. The matinee prices will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children for first floor, and 25 cents for gallery.

FREE—Bicycle—FREE.

E. F. Atwood, the popular Front street druggist, has on exhibition in his store a fine high grade lady's bicycle, which he will give away free on the evening of July 3rd. Every cash purchaser of one dollar's worth of goods will get a ticket free. If you need anything in his line make your purchase at Atwood's, and get a chance on this fine wheel. A gentleman's wheel of equal grade given if desired. Remember it is a strictly high grade standard machine, Morgan & Wright tires, worth \$100. Here is the chance of your life.

Mother's Clubs Will Meet.

The Lincoln Mother's Club will meet at the Lincoln school building on Monday afternoon, April 5th, at 3:30.

The Whittier School Mother's Club will meet at the Whittier school building on Tuesday afternoon, April 6th, at 3:30.

The Harrison School Mother's Club will meet at the Harrison school building on Wednesday afternoon, April 7th, at 3:30.

The Washington School Mother's Club will meet at the Washington school building on Thursday afternoon, April 8th, at 3:30.

The Lowell School Mother's Club will meet at the Lowell school building on Friday afternoon, April 9th, at 3:30.

All members of the different clubs are urgently requested to be present.

\$54.00

For the "Fowler Bicycle," at CHAS. M. PATER'S.

A. O. H. Ball.

Div. No. 1, A. O. H. will give their ninth annual ball at Gardner Hall, on Monday evening, April 19th. The committee of arrangements is: Wm. Barron, John Russell, D. Mahoney, and Jas. Willis, Jr. Tickets \$1.00.

Notice.

It is requested that all claims against the late R. H. Paine be presented to Mrs. Paine on or before May 1st.

JOHN DOBBER.

Camera Club.

The Brainerd Y. M. C. A. Camera Club met Wednesday evening and completed its organization, adopting constitution and by-law. The following officers were elected:

President—H. L. Casey.  
Vice-President—C. D. McKay.  
Secretary—Fred McKay.  
Treasurer—E. M. Westfall.

Eight signed the constitution and became members at that time. The constitution will be left at the office of the Y. M. C. A., and any young men interested may become members by complying with the constitution.

To Let on Shares.

I desire to rent on shares my market garden farm on 7th street south. I will furnish team and all tools. Apply at farm (old fair ground). Will be home evenings.

WM. GUTHRIE.

A "B" Social.

It behooves us to bespeak of a "B" Social. Benign Belles and Beauz, Brides and Bridegrooms, Bachelors and Benedicts, will be Benefitted By Breaking their fast at the Brainerd Baptist Church Parlor on Tuesday evening, April 6th, 1897. Boiled Berry, Bonny Banna, and Baked Batter," 15 cents.

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No One Dies.

No one dies of pulmonary disease the result of cold, who takes "77" in time—for sale by all druggists, 25c.

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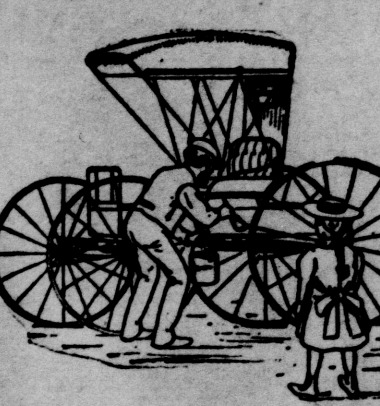
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Spring will soon be here and you won't have time to have your Buggy painted then. With confidence, all will be well.

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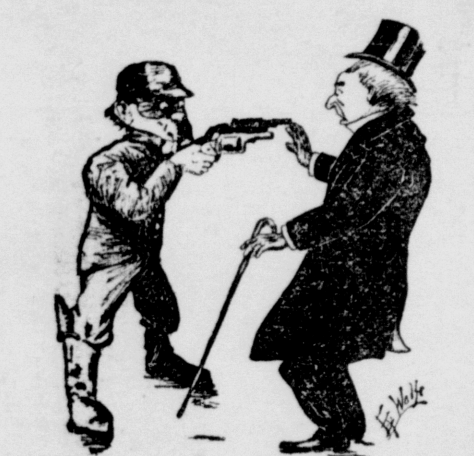
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No more bills can be introduced into the legislature. We ought to be thankful for that.

The state agricultural experiment station has issued a bulletin on, in various insects in the state in 1896. A great many of the lumber boys, and others, have felt them.

Now it is the duty of the legislature to build an asylum on the site purchased by the state for that purpose at Anoka, if one is badly needed as the Hastings people asserted.

Gov. Clifton's veto of the bill locating the insane asylum at Hastings, when a site at Anoka had already been purchased and paid for, will be approved by every right minded person who would not be personally benefited by the change.

The single tax theory seems to be making rapid progress in public favor, judging from the published interviews in the city dailies with some of the most prominent men in the state. But these men don't hold any unimproved land for speculation, which makes a difference.

A REAPPORTMENTMENT bill will probably pass the legislature this session. Under the new scheme five new districts will be created with 60 senators and 120 representatives. Crow Wing and Morrison counties will comprise one district, with one senator and two representatives. This arrangement will be satisfactory to the people of this county.

ANOKA ought to have the fourth insane asylum located there. But the papers of that city are adopting a mighty poor way of getting favors, or their just deserts, for that matter, by threatening to kill and slaughter politically all who oppose her wishes in the matter. No place was ever benefited by such tactics, but a great many have been seriously injured.

A BILL is now pending before the legislature known as the "legal option taxation bill," which would give the people of any community the right to adopt the single tax theory for local taxation. Taxes for local purposes only, would be raised by taxing lands only, all improvements being exempt, the theory of the single taxers being that if improvements were exempt, more money would be spent, in this way improving business and employing vast numbers of labor.

As to Personal Tax Delinquents. S. F. 163 has been signed by the governor, and it is important that all clerks of court and sheriffs in the state know of its provisions at once. The bill relates to personal tax delinquencies and radically amends the old law. Under the old law, on April 1st of each year, the treasurer or auditor made out a statement showing the personal delinquents, and the clerk of court immediately issued citations against the delinquents, who were put to great inconvenience and hardship in many cases. The new law provides that the clerk shall not issue these citations, but that the delinquents shall have fifteen days from April 1st, during which they may file an answer and take the case up to court, if in their opinion the assessment is wrong, or from any other reason the tax should not be paid. The new law is directly in the interest of the poor tax payers.

Will Organize. The Minneapolis Times of yesterday contains the following, which is the latest in regard to organization: "Senator Whitney asked yesterday that H. F. 558 (The Cass and Beltrami organization bill) be taken from the table and referred to himself and Senator Potter for amendment. This was done without objection today. Senator Whitney, who represents the homesteaders and Senator Potter, who stands for the lumbermen, agreed on a bill providing for the organization of the county government for ten years to run the county government of Beltrami, and to 2 per cent for school purposes, and also limits the indebtedness. The homesteaders have agreed to these fiscal restrictions, and the lumber interests have with drawn their opposition on the strength of these restrictions. F. J. Cline, who represents the pine land department of T. B. Walker's business, states that Mr. Walker is entirely pleased with this arrangement. He denies the report that Mr. Walker was opposed to the settlement of the county. All he wants is to prevent the financial management and keep the county government down to a careful and business like system. It is understood that all opposition to the organization project is now past, and that the bill will pass by almost unanimous vote."

Since the above was put in type this morning, Judge Holland has received a telegram announcing that the bill had passed the senate.

The Wagon Bridge. Contractor C. B. Rowley has had a force of men at work on the old wagon bridge since Monday morning, putting it in shape to use until a new structure can be built. They will finish today.

The matter of a new bridge has not yet been settled, but probably something definite will be decided on at the meeting of the commissioners on Tuesday. One thing is to be sure, pressed on the commissioner's minds, and that is that a new structure must be built, and it must be built of steel, so that it will not have to be repaired continually and renewed again in a few years. A wooden bridge is a poor investment at any cost. A good iron bridge will last indefinitely.

Notice to Water Consumers. Water rents for the second quarter 1897, are due April 1st, and MUST BE PAID ON OR BEFORE THE 10TH OF THE MONTH. The company is particularly desirous that the rentals for this quarter shall be paid promptly. The water will be shut off from all consumers who are in default after the 10th of the month.

MINNESOTA WATER WORKS CO. Office, 1st Nat'l Bank Bldg.

## Crow Wing the Best.

The committee appointed by the legislature to investigate the best sugar industry has made its report which is very lengthy and complete. It finds the conditions in Minnesota excellent for best raising, and submits reports of experiments made in 1890, in raising sugar beets, which places Crow Wing county at the head of the list in the quality of the beets raised as to the amount of sugar contained in the beets, and the purity. The Minneapolis Journal published the report complete, from which we clip the following extracts:

"At the present time there are negotiations under way between Philadelphia capitalists and the Great Northern, Northern Pacific and St. Paul & Duluth railways, which, if successful, will complete the route to the establishment of four large beet sugar factories in this state, and there are numerous private parties who have signified a desire to enter upon the list which looks as if it will be completed. Some interesting calculations have been made by Professor Kaiser. He says that during the years from 1891 to 1895 inclusive the United States imported sugar and molasses to the value of \$540,000,000 exclusive of tariff charges. During the same period, in round numbers, our exports of wheat and flour amounted to \$735,000,000. Add the duty charges to the former and it is almost as great as the latter. "Professor Kaiser also estimates that the 1,500,000 people in Minnesota use annually 90,000,000 pounds of sugar, costing about \$4,000,000. Every cent of which goes out of the state. It needs no further argument to show the vastness of the market which awaits the coming industry."

"In order to give a fair idea of the value of the beet sugar industry it is necessary to quote a few figures. The total product of the beet sugar in the United States in 1895 was 35,000 tons; of cane sugar, 324,000 tons. Total domestic production, including maple and sorghum sugar, 377,000 tons. The total imports were 1,450,000 tons, valued at \$110,000,000. The total consumption was 1,350,000 tons of 2,240 pounds. It can be seen by this that the United States consumes about 2,000,000 tons of sugar annually, and produces but 377,000 tons of sugar annually."

"The first beet sugar factory in America was built at Chatsworth, Ill., 1863. There are now eight factories located in five different states, and one other to be built in Wisconsin. Total factories in 1895 turned out 60,000,000 pounds of sugar."

"The universal testimony of chemists, says the report, is that any good soil is suitable for beet raising, it is, therefore, easy to see that they can be cultivated with great success in almost any portion of the state. Repeated analysis has shown the beets raised in the United States contain a great percentage of sugar as similar vegetables grown in Europe. "D. A. Harper of the Minnesota experimental station after four years' experience in beet sugar cultivation in the state, says the results were reasonably satisfactory. The experiments of 1890 were so encouraging that seeds were imported from Germany, and distributed among 2,500 farmers in all parts of the state. The results are best stated in the following table: "Result of experiments with sugar beet for the year 1890."

County. Sugar. Purity. Chisago. 13 1 80 5 Crow Wing. 17 5 90 7 Dakota. 15 2 88 9 Goodhue. 14 9 80 9 Kandiyohi. 12 7 85 0 Kitson. 12 7 82 0 Lac qui parrie. 14 4 82 1 Meeker. 15 6 85 3 "Twelve per cent is good enough for manufacturing purposes, and will be seen that in no case above quoted did the percentage fall below that figure."

The characteristics of the good sugar beet, briefly stated, are as follows: "First—Its root must have the form of a carrot root of a tuber, but be shaped more like a Bartlett pear. It must be long and slender, gradually tapering and free from large lateral roots. "Second—It must not grow above the surface of the ground. "Third—It must have a smooth, white surface and the flesh be white and hard."

W. C. T. U. The attendance at the W. C. T. U. parlor meeting on Tuesday last was not as large as could have been desired, as the walking was still very bad in places, keeping some at home who otherwise would have been there. The meeting was opened in the usual manner, and after a few interesting remarks by the leader, Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Veon read a sketch of the life and work of Neal Dow. Mrs. A. D. White read a sketch of his home life, and Mrs. Barnes read "The Battle Star of Maine," a poem written by Rev. Dwight Williams for Prohibition Day. Also other short selections. Frances Willard's account of the first time she met Neal Dow was read, and a few selections from "Postal Card Tributes" to the "Grand Old Man," from such people as Joseph Cook, Chas. F. Twining, D. D., Helen M. Barker, Mary Lathbury, Wilbur F. Crafts, Bishop H. W. Warren, D. D., and many others. It was impossible to carry out the program as arranged on account of the absence of some who were to have taken part. However, we seldom have such a spring as this has been, so we are thankful for what we could do, and will hope for better things next year. The meeting closed with prayer and the benediction. We were pleased to note the presence of one gentleman at the meeting. If more of our brothers, and particularly our honorable members, would show their interest in, and give aid to, the work we are trying to do, by occasionally attending the meeting of the society, it would be a great encouragement to the members. We also noted the presence of a visiting member from the largest W. C. T. U. in Minnesota. It was very pleasing to be told by this visitor that our little Brainerd union was keeping up the work in a very creditable manner as compared with the larger unions of the state.

W. C. T. U. PRESS REPORTER.

## Saved by a Hatchet.

Golden Days tells a story of a prospector in Alaska who, in company with eight other men, was walking across a great icefield. At one place a thin sheet of ice hid from view a crack about 3 feet wide. The party approached the crevasse diagonally, the prospector in advance, when suddenly he and the next man in the line slipped through the thin coating of ice and disappeared in the chasm below. Their cries narrowly prevented some of the others from meeting a similar fate.

The second man carried a gun, and as he held on to it the weapon lodged crossways in the crevasse and enabled him to be rescued, but the prospector went down at least 75 feet and was tightly jammed between the walls of ice. He could not be seen, but his voice could be distinctly heard directing the movements of his rescuers. Blankets were torn into strips and tied into a rope. This was lowered to the imprisoned man, who fastened one end around his body. When the rope was pulled, however, it was found that he was jammed in so tightly that he could not be moved without tearing him asunder.

The rescuers were in a quandary, and the imprisoned man suggested that they lower him a hatchet, but when this was done he chopped himself loose in short order. Altogether he was 30 minutes in the icy tomb, and it was a week before he recovered from the shock.

## They Wouldn't Salute.

Black Jack Percival, who was a naval captain before the war, once brought a cargo of Spanish jacks home in a man-of-war. He was in Spanish waters when the jacks were given to the United States by Spain and was ordered to bring them out in his ship. It made him angry, but he got the boats aboard and sailed for New York. When he came through the Narrows, the guns had been rolled back, and out of every port there stuck a jack's head. Thus decked out, and without a salute, he came to his anchorage. The admiral commanding sent post haste to demand why Captain Percival had not saluted. "I didn't salute," was the founting captain's answer, "because I couldn't. I had two men twisting every jack's tail, but not a blanketed one of them would bray."—Chicago Chronicle.

## A Cold Weather Idyl.

Tenderly, touchingly, he wrapped the damp, warm cloth about the injured member. But no relief came. "Maria," he shouted after a long, hopeless pause, "it's no use! These blasted hot rags won't do. Get me the hammer!"

And once again he rapped the pipe.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

There are still many immense cattle ranches in Texas, although in some parts of the state they have been contracted by increased settlement. The largest is one of 3,100,000 acres, the property of the Capital Freehold Land and Investment company.

The poet occasionally reaches the summit of art, hits upon a complete character, a burst of sublime passion, then he falls back, groggy and qualified success, rough sketches, feeble imitations and at last takes refuge in the tricks of his trade.—Taine.

A few years ago Greece was only visited by archeologists and students. General travel in this direction has but recently set in. Last year about 1,500 Americans visited Athens and 42 citizens of the United States resided there for the winter.

There are now about 7,500 south sea islanders, called Kanakas, engaged in labor in the sugar industry in Queensland. They are, as a whole, an excellent class of laborers.

In 1894 Italy harvested 3,549,877, 390 oranges, lemons, citrons and bergamots.

Ripans Tabules: gentle cathartic. Ripans Tabules cure constipation.

## THE SCHOONER.

It was I invented at Gloucester by a Builder of Fishing Vessels.

The schooner was invented at Gloucester by a builder of fishing vessels. History records that "Captain Robinson built and rigged a ketch, as they were then called, masted and rigged it in a peculiar manner; when launched, the peculiar motion she made as she glided into the water from the stocks caused one of the bystanders to exclaim, "Oh,











SATURDAY, APRIL 3.

We extend a special invitation to all the ladies of Brainerd to attend a Spring Opening

Of the Finest Assorted Stock of DRESS GOODS to be seen in the Northern part of this State, and which we really believe will compare favorably with any Stock in Variety and Up-to-Date Style anywhere this Spring.

As to the matter of Prices, we announce this SPECIAL EVENT for the purpose of demonstrating to the public that the old out-of-date idea that it is necessary to go away from your own town for Merchandise, when right at home under your nose is a STOCK, and PRICES, metropolitan in every way, will show for itself in this display of GOODS and PRICES. Don't fail to attend this Opening. It will pay you.

Remember, Saturday, April 3rd. We wish to show you during this event HOW we sell goods, and WHAT we ask for them. Do you realize that WE sell for CASH only, and therefore SELL CHEAPER than others? Come and look at our stock

SATURDAY, APRIL 3rd. We will have some Special Features for that day, and will give you a chance to select a DRESS for Easter, a Pair of Gloves for Easter, a Fine Pair of Shoes for Easter, a Cape for Easter. Will be pleased to see you whether you purchase or visit, on SATURDAY, APRIL 3rd. HENRY I. COHEN SLEEPER BLOCK.

Arthur Hagberg, Successor to T. McMaster. Groceries, Provisions, Flour and Feed. Dealer in Odd Fellows' Block, Sixth Street. Having recently purchased the Grocery Business of T. McMaster, and added to it my own stock, I now have the Largest Stock of Choice Groceries in the city, and Customers will be convinced by a call that I will SELL THEM RIGHT. Everything in the Grocery Line can be found at our Store. ARTHUR HAGBERG, TELEPHONE CALL, 5-4.

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THE BLUE FRONT MARKET. KANSAS CITY BEEF Always on Hand. We Make a Specialty of all Kinds of Sausage. PAINE & MCGINN SIXTH STREET.

Mrs. Albert Angel and children went to Verdala yesterday noon on a visit. Mrs. W. H. Mauter returned Wednesday from a week's visit in Minneapolis. J. J. Frost has disposed of his sample room at Walker to J. H. Sempl. Get a bicycle FREE at Atwood's drug store, by making a 50-cent purchase. Furnished room for rent. Three minutes walk from depot. Inquire at this office. Street car tickets FREE at Atwood's drug store by purchasing 50 cents worth of goods for cash. Teeth filled and crowned with Gold or Porcelain, and teeth extracted with Odontometer, at Dr. Ribbel's. Dr. Werner Hemstead made a flying business trip to Chicago the first of the week, returning yesterday. Misses Agatha and Gladys DeLambert, of St. Paul, arrived in the city Monday to visit Mrs. Chas. Metcalf. Select Baltimore oysters, received direct from Baltimore daily, for sale at Benson & Gray's, at 40 cents a quart. License to marry has been issued the past week to Chas. R. Dean and Sarah Stickney, both of Crow Wing county. Mrs. J. F. McGinnis returned from Duluth Saturday night, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. J. A. Cullen, of that city. Lawyer J. H. Rhodes of Little Falls was in the city on Tuesday and Wednesday. While here he sold two car loads of oats. SCHOOL CHILDREN—Red, White and Blue Tablets, just what you want, call and get one, only 5 cents, at Atwood's drug store. Miss Vania Peterson, a sister of Mrs. J. H. Hallett, returned to Hennepin, Minn., yesterday, after a lengthy visit with her sister in this city. FREE RIDE—By purchasing 50 cents worth of goods at Atwood's drug store you will get a street car ticket which will entitle you to a free ride. Hoffman's second store will buy your furniture, trade you new goods for old or sell you complete house-keeping outfits on installments. With every purchase of 50 cents in cash at Atwood's drug store, you will get a ticket on that beautiful high grade bicycle to be given away July 3rd, 1897. Clerk of Court S. H. Parker went to St. Paul on Monday night, taking down a petition of the business men protesting against the organization of Cass county. Mrs. Cyndie Deputy, of Indianapolis, Ind., mother of Mrs. A. E. Whitely, left for St. Paul Tuesday noon, after a lengthy visit with her daughter in this city. Go to Atwood's drug store and purchase 50 cents worth of goods and get a ticket on that high grade bicycle to be given away FREE on the evening of July 3rd, 1897. The firm of Voller & Hallquist, proprietors of the Dairy Restaurant, has been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Hallquist retiring. Mr. Voller continues the business. The Y. M. C. A. vocal music class was re-organized Monday night, 13 members being present. Members of the Association are admitted free, others 10 cents a lesson. Rev. M. B. Bird is instructor. The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will hold its regular weekly meeting Wednesday afternoon, April 7th, with Mrs. Gustafson, corner of Sixth and Norwood streets, from 2:30 until 4:30. Morning services at the Congregational church next Sunday will be conducted by Secretary Snyder, of the Y. M. C. A. In the evening a sacred concert will be given by the choir. Gene Brown, of Brainerd, spent a few hours here on Thursday, leaving the same night for St. Paul, where he went to meet his wife who has just graduated from a Chicago medical college, and is now a full-fledged M. D.—Aitkin Age. Engineer Coventry, who has been in the N. P. Sanitarium here for several weeks, was able to be about the streets Wednesday. He left that evening for his home, accompanied by Mrs. Coventry. They will leave today for Hot Springs, Arkansas, where Mr. C. will receive treatment. Harry Whitney left Brainerd for New York City on Wednesday morning. At Duluth he will meet the gentlemen who have recently canvassed this city for the Improved Encyclopedia Britannica, and proceed east, where, in conjunction with these gentlemen, he will canvass for this excellent work. Engines Nos. 150 and 151, two of the new engines recently purchased by the N. P. left for Tacoma, Wash., on Tuesday evening. One of them was in charge of Engineer Wm. Thompson and Fireman Ben. Smith, of this city, who will go clear through with them, and return on the overland passenger. The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held in the Y. M. C. A. parlor on Tuesday afternoon, April 6th, at 3 p. m. As this will be Sabbath observance week, the superintendent of that department will have charge of the meeting. A paper by Mrs. Geo. Bane and one by Mrs. A. D. White will be read. Visitors welcome. The "Wide-Awake" Sunday school class of the 1st Congregational church will give a birthday party in the chapel at the church to-morrow afternoon, Saturday, April 3rd. About 100 invitations have been issued. Each person attending are required to bring as many pennies in a small silk bag, provided for the purpose, as they are years old. Refreshments will be served and games will be played.

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Local News Notes. Smith & Winslow, Insurance. Smith & Winslow loan money. Smith & Winslow, real estate. Smith & Winslow rent houses. E. O. Webb went to St. Paul on Tuesday on business. Prepared dog food 2c per pound at the Blue Front Market. Miss Jessie Thaboe went to St. Paul Saturday to visit relatives. Five rooms to rent over the N. P. bank. Inquire at the bank. Fifty-Four Dollars for the Fowler Bicycle at Chas. M. Pater's. Lawyer A. Y. Merrill, of Aitkin, was in the city on Wednesday. Rustic pearl holders, with No. 2 gold pens, \$1.75, at Sundberg's. L. J. Cale was in St. Paul the first of the week, returning yesterday. John Denis, of Little Falls, was in the city on Monday and Tuesday. We sell Commercial Club Coffee at 35 cents per pound. BRACH & SON. Miss Beth Prince went to St. Paul on Monday to visit her sister a month. \$54.00 For the Fowler Bicycle at CHAS. M. PATER'S. County Auditor Louis Tache went to St. Paul on Sunday night on business. Uncle Nate Richardson, of Little Falls, was a Brainerd visitor on Wednesday. A. E. Johnson, of A. E. Johnson & Co., of St. Paul, was in the city on Tuesday. Mayor H. D. Powers, of Grand Rapids, was in the city the first of the week. Best and largest line of crutches in the city at E. F. Atwood's Front street drug store. Max Shapiro and wife, of Tower, arrived in the city on Tuesday on a visit with friends. F. B. Johnson went to Minneapolis on Tuesday to take the degree of the Knights of Malta. Mrs. J. W. Koop went to Staples on Monday, called there by the illness of her sister, Mrs. W. J. Lewis. Hon. A. F. Ferris came up from St. Paul on Saturday noon to confer with his constituents over Sunday. Lawyers A. P. Blanchard and E. P. Adams, of Little Falls, were in the city Wednesday on business. A. E. Veon has been appointed county agent for the distribution of the state soldier's relief fund. Mrs. E. W. Kaley, of Hamline, is in the city this week visiting with her daughter, Mrs. F. W. Wieland. Mrs. A. F. Ferris has gone to Waverly, Iowa, to visit friends and relatives for a couple of weeks. Ex-Attorney General Wilson, of St. Paul, was in the city Wednesday on business before Judge Holland.

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Recovering Taxes Illegally Abated. County Attorney Fleming has served notice on County Treasurer John Frater, that suit will be brought against him to recover the amount of interest and penalty abated on taxes of L. J. Cale by the board of county commissioners recently, amounting to \$1,100. Mr. Fleming says that, as far as he can ascertain, and he also has the opinion of the attorney general, the law fixes the responsibility on the county treasurer, as it says any treasurer who does not collect interest and penalty shall be liable for the amount not collected. Mr. Frater is quite indignant that he is made a party to the suit, as he says he accepted the money for the taxes on a statement from the county auditor, and he had no means of knowing but what it included the interest and penalty. That he has the statement of the auditor showing the taxes to be the amount he accepted, which ought to exonerate him from making a greater charge. Mr. Fleming says himself that it is not just that Mr. Frater should stand the loss, but as far as he can see at present the law holds him responsible. He says, however, he intends to examine the matter more closely, and if he can see his way clear to do so, a suit will be brought making the county treasurer, auditor, clerk, and Mr. Cale parties to the suit, and the court can determine where the responsibility lies. The suit is the result of the recommendations of the recent grand jury.

Street Car Fare Free. Every purchaser of 50 cents worth of goods for cash at my store will be given a ticket good for one fare on the street railway. Residents of East Brainerd cannot afford to miss this opportunity to get a free ride if in need of anything in my line. ATWOOD, The Druggist.

A Fine Dancing Party. The Chequamegon Club is perfecting arrangements to give one of their delightful dancing parties at Gardner Hall, on Friday evening April 23rd. The parties given by the Chequamegon are at all times very enjoyable, and invitations are eagerly sought for, but it is the purpose of the club to make the coming event the great social event of the season. It will probably be the first well society event after the Lenten season, hence a large and select attendance is expected. The affair will be noticed more in detail in later issues.

Municipal Court Notes. Cora Carey was arraigned in the municipal court on Monday under the state law charged with keeping a house of ill-fame. She waived examination and was held to answer the action of the grand jury in the sum of \$250.

Jas. Spencer was before his honor on Tuesday on complaint of Chas. Cross, charged with assault. He pleaded not guilty, and was discharged after trial.

Putting in Filtering Plant. A fine filtering plant for the Minnesota Water Co. arrived in the city yesterday, and will be put in at once. Mr. W. M. Cameron, of New York, arrived here on Wednesday to superintend the work of putting in the plant, which he hopes to have completed by April 20th. The people of this city ought not to be troubled with impure water after that.

DIED. Andrew Hall, aged 35 years, who lived near the mill, died on Tuesday March 30th, of pneumonia, and his remains were buried yesterday. He leaves a wife and four children in destitute circumstances.

The mother of Dr. Reimstad, of this city, died at her home in Minneapolis last Tuesday, aged 68 years. She leaves four children to mourn her loss.

Miss Carrie Morrison returned today from a two week's business trip to Minneapolis.

W. S. Megquier tendered his resignation as marshal to the old council Tuesday afternoon, and made his departure to his old home in Brainerd, where he has a position at the N. P. shop. The new council would have continued him on the force with a good grace, but he saw a better thing ahead at Brainerd and took it.—Cass County Pioneer.

Sheriff Erickson went to Sank Rapids and St. Cloud on Monday noon on business. At Sank Rapids the sheriff will look up the matter of the conviction of the horse thief arrested by him some weeks ago and delivered to the Benton county authorities. By the terms of a state law anyone apprehending a horse thief, shall, on his conviction, be paid a reward of \$200, and Mr. Erickson wouldn't mind getting the \$200.

Mrs. R. P. Paine has sold her plumbing shop to F. H. Greenhagen and W. H. Thompson, of this city. Mr. Greenhagen has been employed by Slipp Bros. of this city as tinner for several years and Mr. Thompson has held a position in the N. P. tin shop for more than ten years past. They will run a tin shop in connection with the plumbing business. Both men are experienced mechanics, and have a thorough acquaintance in the city, hence they will undoubtedly do a most successful business from the start.

HANGED HIMSELF. Chas. L. Bjorkgren, the Popular Night Clerk at the Arlington Hotel, Destroys His Own Life. POOR HEALTH THE CAUSE. Funeral Services Sunday Afternoon Under the Auspices of White Cross Lodge No. 30, Knights of Pythias, at the Episcopal Church.

Chas. L. Bjorkgren, the popular night clerk at the Arlington Hotel, committed suicide on Tuesday, by hanging himself in his room at the hotel. At what hour of the day he committed the rash deed is only a matter of conjecture, but it was not discovered until 6:15 in the evening. He retired to his room at about nine in the morning, his usual time, and no sound was heard from there to indicate that anything unusual was transpiring. He usually arose about 5 p. m., going on duty at 6 o'clock. As he did not put in an appearance at that time, Manager Thos. Rutherford sent up the call boy to awaken him. The boy returned and reported that he could not arouse him, and the door and transom were locked so that he could not get in. Mr. Rutherford then, in company with Chas. Eckman, another hotel employee, went to Bjorkgren's room, and effected an entrance by working the key inside out of the lock and using a pass key. On entering they were horrified to find Bjorkgren cold in death, with a rope around his neck hanging to a bed post. From the position of the body and the articles about the room, it was evident beyond a doubt that the unfortunate young man had destroyed his own life. He had deliberately cut the rope from the laundry bag and making a noose of one end, had placed it around his neck, tying the other end to a loop made of cloth torn from the bag, which was placed over the corner post of the head of the bed. He must have laid down on the bed, after placing the rope around his neck, and rolled off, the force of the fall drawing the noose tight enough to choke him to death. He had entirely disrobed except his undershirt, and had not put on his night shirt, which was lying on the bed. He was lying on his right side when found, only his head and shoulders being raised from the floor.

Manager Rutherford immediately sent for Coroner Dean, who arrived in a few moments and cut down the body and had it removed to the undertaking rooms of Losey & Dean. He decided no inquest was necessary, as it was beyond question a case of suicide.

The rash act of Bjorkgren was a great shock to the people of the hotel and his many friends about town, and no possible reason can be assigned for the deed except poor health. He was quite a bad sufferer from inflammatory rheumatism, at times being unable to move about without suffering great pain. But he was always in good spirits, and seemed especially so lately, as he has been gaining in weight and health. He had been at the Arlington about six months, gaining twenty pounds during that time. Before retiring to his room in the morning he laughed and joked and was in his usual good spirits, and there was not the slightest indication that he contemplated self-destruction.

On Wednesday morning Coroner Dean, Mr. Rutherford and Judge of Probate Milton McFadden examined all his personal effects, but nothing could be found that would throw any light on his reasons for suicide. There was nothing to indicate that he had any relatives or near friends to claim his remains. From conversations he has had in times past with acquaintances, it is known that he has a father in Sweden, but his address is not known. Also an uncle at Valley City, N. D., but he has not been heard from, although efforts were made to find him by wire.

Deceased was a Knight of Pythias of good standing, being a member of the Fargo lodge, and the local lodge will take charge of the funeral and bury him here, unless relatives claim him before. The funeral services will be held at the Episcopal church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. Canon Pentreath officiating.

Since the above was written a letter has been received from the deceased's uncle, who resides in Valley City, N. D., whose name is Otto Chibberg. He advises burying him here, and suggests that his personal effects be sent to him and he will forward them to his parents.

KNIGHTS, ATTENTION! All members of White Cross Lodge No. 30, K. of P., are requested to meet at the lodge room on Sunday afternoon, April 4th, at 1:30 o'clock sharp, to attend the funeral of Bro. Chas. L. Bjorkgren. Services from the Episcopal church.

Prescriptions Compounded—FREE. For the benefit of the poor of this city, I will, on Saturday, April 3rd, dispense all prescriptions written by resident physicians, FREE OF CHARGE. ATWOOD, The Druggist.

Decorative Day. At the meeting of Pap Thomas Post on Saturday evening last, committee for Memorial Day were appointed as follows: Arrangements—T. E. Smith, N. B. Chase, J. A. Wilson and A. Nolan. To solicit appropriation from the council—J. A. Wilson and A. E. Veon.

Eastern Star Entertainment. The ladies of the Eastern Star lodge will give a Hard Times entertainment at Masonic Hall on Monday evening, April 5th. They have made arrangements for the appearance on this occasion of the celebrated Peake Sisters, who will introduce their side-splitting specialties for the entertainment of those present. The admission fee will be 25 cents.

SPECTACLES! BERTIER PARABOLA THE BEST IN THE WORLD TRY THEM & SEE AGAIN AS IN YOUTH. SOLE AGENCY ATWOOD'S, The Druggist.

The Prodigal Father. The above entitled exceedingly funny and entertaining comedy will be produced at Sleeper opera house next Wednesday, April 7th, by one of the best companies that will visit Brainerd this year. This company has appeared in all the leading cities in the United States, and has everywhere achieved the greatest success. The press has uniformly mentioned this fine attraction in the most glowing terms. "The Prodigal Father" has an intensely interesting plot, and the story of an old scientist who has lived a pure and easy life.

He is about to make a trip to Africa for the purpose of exploring the wilds of that country in the interests of a geographical society of which he is a member. Just as he is embarking in the steamer, he is entranced by a vision of loveliness in the shape of a gay serio-comic actress.

He starts in pursuit of her, and follows her for two months, endeavoring to make an impression, but, finding that he has made no progress, he gives up the chase. In his pursuit of the fair charmer, he has taken no thought of the flight of time; hence the ship has sailed, and he is compelled to return home.

Upon arriving there, he uses his powers of imagination to describe his trip—so supposed trip—to Africa—and it is his Munchausen-like stories that produce much of the fun.

Besides the play itself there are numerous specialties of a most entertaining character, especially bright and taking. The manager of the house desires all to see this attraction, and has secured a reduction in prices to 50 and 75 cents for reserved seats, 35 cents for general admission, and 25 cents for gallery for the evening entertainment. Reserved seat sale now open at Atwood's drug store.

A matinee will be given in the afternoon, commencing at 2:30, when the complete play and all the specialties will be produced. The matinee prices will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children for first floor, and 25 cents for gallery.

FREE—Bicycle—FREE. E. F. Atwood, the popular Front street druggist, has on exhibition in his store a fine high grade lady's bicycle, which he will give away free on the evening of July 3rd. Every cash purchaser of one dollar's worth of goods will get a ticket free. If you need anything in his line make your purchase at Atwood's, and get a chance on this fine wheel. A gentleman's wheel of equal grade given if desired. Remember it is a strictly high grade standard machine, Morgan & Wright tires, worth \$100. Here is the chance of your life.

Mother's Clubs Will Meet. The Lincoln Mother's Club will meet at the Lincoln school building on Monday afternoon, April 6th, at 3:30.

The Whittier School Mother's Club will meet at the Whittier school building on Tuesday afternoon, April 6th, at 3:30.

The Harrison School Mother's Club will meet at the Harrison school building on Wednesday afternoon, April 7th, at 3:30.

The Washington School Mother's Club will meet at the Washington school building on Thursday afternoon, April 8th, at 3:30.

The Lowell School Mother's Club will meet at the Lowell school building on Friday afternoon, April 8th, at 3:30.

All members of the different clubs are urgently requested to be present.

\$54.00 For the "Fowler Bicycle," at CHAS. M. PATER'S. A. O. H. Hall. Div. No. 1, A. O. H. will give their ninth annual ball at Gardner Hall, on Monday evening, April 19th. The committee of arrangements is: Wm. Barron, John Russell, D. Mahoney, and Jas. Willis, Jr. Tickets \$1.00.

Notice. It is requested that all claims against the late R. H. Paine be presented to Mrs. Paine on or before May 1st.

JOHN DOBNER. Camera Club. The Brainerd Y. M. C. A. Camera Club met Wednesday evening and completed its organization, adopting constitution and by-law. The following officers were elected: President—H. L. Cassy. Vice-President—C. D. McKay. Secretary—Fred McKay. Treasurer—E. M. Wostfall.

Eight signed the constitution and became members at that time. The constitution will be left at the office of the Y. M. C. A., and any young men interested may become members by complying with the constitution. To Let on Shares. I desire to rent on shares my market garden farm on 7th street south. I will furnish team and all tools. Apply at farm (old fair ground). Will be home evenings. WM. GUTHRIE. A "B" Social. It behooves us to bespeak of a "B" Social. Bonny Belles and Beauz, Brides and Bridgemoons, Bachelors and Benedicts, will be Benefited by Breaking their fast at the Brainerd Baptist Church Parlor on Tuesday evening, April 6th, 1897. Boiled Berry, Bonny Bunnies, and Baked Batter, 15 cents.

OPERA HOUSE MATINEE and NIGHT. WEDNESDAY, April 7.

And now comes the Acme of them all, Cast Comedy Comedians. That Famously Up-to-date Comedy, THE Prodigal Father. Third Annual Review. All New Features. More or Less Up-to-Date. A Company of 20 People. A Strictly First-Class Company at Popular Prices.

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